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Editorial Comment

CLEAN UP

The time of the year to clean-up premises is at hand. Winter's accumulation of trash and litter is in need of removal. But not at the price of costly fires! Watch your step to clean and burn, exercise the utmost caution. Will you?

WITH OTHER EDITORS

DELAY IS DANGEROUS

From New York Times

Senator Bricker's motion to turn back to committee the nominations of David E. Lilienthal and his Atomic Energy Commission colleagues, and to reopen an investigation of AEC's employees, is shocking in its implications. We have no right to question Mr. Bricker's motives. He is frightened about communism. He sees a Communist or fellow traveler or weak sympathizer under every bush. Yet no Russian Communist no fellow traveler and no sympathizer could ask anything more to his liking than the Bricker proposal. For the endless delay that would follow would cripple our atomic energy policy, at home and abroad.

Already atomic development in this country has been brought almost to a halt. Already the authority with which we speak for the Baruch Plan has been weakened by the Senate's seeming disposition to treat this vast problem as a side issue. If we cannot agree on how to deal with this new power at home, how can we persuade other nations to agreement?

Nothing new and helpful could possibly come out of the Bricker proposal. What could happen would be an understandable reluctance on the part of scientists to enter this field or to stay in it; an inability on the part of the AEC to make promises or contracts; a possibly fatal lag in American progress in this field and in the national defense.

Mr. Lilienthal and to a lesser extent his colleagues have been put through a cruel ordeal. They have come out justified by a committee vote, by abundant testimony to ability and character by promises of more than half the Senators to support them. We need not hunt for new and better candidates. The Senate owes it to its own dignity to thrust aside the obstructionists and act.

LOST: 400 FARMS A DAY

From Winchester Star

The farm brokers of the United States, the men who negotiate the buying and selling of farms, probably know as much about farm values as any group in the country. It is their business to set a proper value on farms, to prove that the farms are worth the price asked, and to be so fair in their transactions that they will earn and accumulate the good will which is essential to any continuing business.

Today these farm dealers, organized as the Institute of Farm Brokers, are carrying on a campaign to encourage soil conservation. Their purpose is, of course, to stabalize their business, but they state also that they owe their country their service.

Their reason for urging conservation is set out in their statement as follows:

"Our country still has enough soil to produce food for our people with a little to spare, but our own margin of safety is disappearing. We are losing 400 farms a day through erosion, leeching and soil exploitation. Every last acre in Iowa begins to feel the pressure of world need and want. There is no more urgent and important necessity for ourselves and those who come after us than to conserve the heritage which we have in our soil. This is our ultimate, and real and only wealth."

This conclusion has been reached by other groups in other ways. The Institute of Farm Brokers has added its forceful appeal to that of others who agree that conservation of the American farm is necessary to hold the country's place as the strongest influence for permanent peace.

Russian delegate agrees in part to atomic plan.

Draft law expired March 31.

Democrats expect 750 at Jefferson Day dinner in Richmond, at $25 per plate for men and $5 for ladies.

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"GAY GADGETS"

Associated Newspapers—WNU Features

By NANCY PEPPER

It's Spring Again

They're here again, those balmy spring days when it's hard to distinguish between the tone of the teachers and the drone of the bees. (Of course, it might help to remember that one drips with honey and the other definitely doesn't.) You don't hang around the locker room after the last bell any longer than you have to. That's why you're wearing double duty clothes that can be converted from classroom classics to playtime pretties before anyone says, "Ruff, ruff."

Two-In-One Wonders—Those one-piece playsuits with matching skirts are a girl's best friend from April to September. Wear the skirts, and you're prim and proper for school; leave the skirt in your locker (along with P-T uniform) and you're free and easy for sports. The newest two-in-one wonders have bloomer playsuits beneath their dirndl skirts.

On Again, Off Again—You convert your new blouse from school room sobriety to afterschool allure by adjusting the drawstring neckline. It's designed to look handsome when the drawstring is pulled in and Bubba says it's fat cats, into an off-shoulder job.

T-Shirt Disguise—So you like to play around after school in "bra" top and dirndl skirt outfits? Well mister, don't mix with higher mathematics, even if they ARE good for figures. So cover up with cotton-knit T shirt during school hours and strip for action after the last period.

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JABBERWOCKY AND JIVE

Strictly From Allen's Alley—What you say about anything corny.

Sunerman—Your very special O.A.O.

M.A.S.—Man-About-School. Teen age version of Man-About-Town.

Re Bob—What you call a "right guy."

Dead—Your currently favorite word to indicate a date a girl a proposition in fact, anything you happen to be talking about could be a "dead."

Goon, Wonk—Latest school for "Bubba Blubba" and it stems from Fat Fat Pat music.

"It's Sno-e-nik"—As Red Skelton said it in the movie. "Ziegfeld Follies."

What a Revolting Development—Said in a gravel voice a la Durante.

I Will, Too, Put Bananas in the Refrigerator!—Considered an expression of extreme defiance.

Well, as one fool said to the other fool when it saw a lighted cigarette, "Let's Step on It!"

Former Governor Colgate Darden has been named to the presidency of the University of Virginia.

Churchill throws support of the Conservative Party behind Conscription.

Lewis orders coal miners not to work this day "memorial" to the 111 miners who lost their lives in last week's Centralia, Ill., disaster.

BACK HOME AGAIN

By Ed Dodd

TAKE MY WORD FOR IT!

By FRANK COLBY

Bell Syndicate—WNU Features.

WORDS TO WATCH

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The word "foyer" puzzles people. The dictionaries are so pussyfooting about the word that there is not much help in that direction.

Foyer is a French loan word. In that language the literal meaning is, "a fireplace." The French pronunciation is fwa-YAY (the first "a" is flat, approximately as in "wag").

In American usage, a foyer is a kind of lobby, as of a theatre; an anteroom, as of an apartment.

American dictionaries list three pronunciations: (1) fwah-YAY; (2) foy-YAY; (3) FOY-er.

Note that the first uses the "ah" sound in the first syllable, instead of the flat or nearly flat French "a." Note that the pronunciation 'foy-YAY" is a hybrid, the first syllable being English, and the second being French. Note also that the natural American pronunciation, FOY-er, has only three first-choice listings. Here is the consensus:

Webster's: First, fwah-YAY; second, foy-YAY; third, FOY-er.

Funk and Wagnall's: First, fwah-YAY; second, FOY-er.

New Century: First, FOY-er; second, fwah-YAY.

Winston's: First, fwah-YAY; second, FOY-er.

Macmillan's: First, fwah-YAY; second, FOY-er.

Thorndike Century: First, FOY-er; second, fwah-YAY.

Kenyon and Knott's: Only, FOY-er.

Now, then, since foyer is a French word, shouldn't we give it the French pronunciation, fwa-YAY? The answer is: certainly not; and this is why:

(1) More than 36 per cent of all English words are from the French, but we do not consider them as French, for they date back in English to the Norman Conquest. (2) The true French pronunciations are hardly ever preserved in English if they contain sounds that are not heard in English, i. e., the French nasal vowels, the sound of the French "u," the sound of "ay" for final -er, the sound of "ue" for "œ" and "oy," etc.

A good case in point is the word employer. The French say: ahn(n)-plwa-YAY. But the English and American eye simply cannot see "em" as "ah(n)," "ploy" as "plwa," and "er" as "yay." Therefore, we give the word its logical English values: em-PLOY-er.

So, if "employer" to us spells "employer," it is entirely proper that "foyer" should spell: FOY-er. Indeed, it is the Standard American pronunciation.

Moreover, our usage of the word foyer is strictly English, for what we call the foyer of a theater the French would speak of as a "foyer du public."

Q.—Isn't this a howler? I heard it on a radio program advertising wines: "A . . . a delightful before-dinner aperitif."—J. O.

A.—It's redundant, since an aperitif is: "A liquor taken before a meal to act as an appetizer."

YOUR FORTUNE FINDER

To learn your "Fortune" for this week from the stars, write in the letters of the alphabet corresponding to the numerals on the line of the astrological period in which you were born. You will find it fun.

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Lesson for April

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THE RISEN LORD A HIS DISCIPLES

LESSON TEXT—John 20:19-23; 21:15-17.

MEMORY SELECTION—Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.—John 20:29.

Ever new and blessed is the message that comes to us from the empty tomb upon our souls is the message of Easter. To be assured of the fact that the grave could not hold our blessed Lord and Saviour, that he arose in victory over the power of death, is our delightful portion on Easter day's lesson.

It is a very appropriate time for us to direct our attention to our three months study of the Gospel of John and comes just one quarter because of Easter.

Three helpful incidents are found in our lesson.

I. A Risen Lord and His Disciples (20:19-23).

The appearance of our risen Lord to his disciples after he arose from the grave emphasizes the close relationship between the resurrection and the life and ministry of his followers.

Those who live for and with the risen Christ have a triumphant life and an inward peace, and an authority and power. The reasons are based on the Lord's own words which came to assure his disciples as they were secretly assembled for fear of the Jews.

He stood in their midst, and by the words of peace (vv. 19) he gave them authority (vv. 22, 23).

Peace of soul is absolutely essential to useful and satisfying service. Only as we are "steadfast, unmovable," can we be "abounding in the work of the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58). Steady at the center, active in the circumference.

Commissioned and sent forth by the Lord of God, clothed with Holy Spirit power, the Church of God has a glorious opportunity. While some have much into verse 23, others have left out of it the real authority which he has given.

Little wonder that we read in Acts 4:33, "Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord." The resurrection of Jesus is the cornerstone for real joy!

II. A Convinced Doubter and His Testimony (20:26-29).

Thomas made the serious mistake of being absent from the gathering of the disciples when the Lord first stood in their midst. Let us not commonly absent themselves from the place and hour of worship. We need lest they miss a blessing that may coming later add nothing to the spiritual life of the church, but may become troublers and doubters.

But God graciously turned the unbelief of Thomas into a means of blessing to all of us who since then have heard of his experience. Thomas was an honest doubter. God is always willing to meet such with satisfactory evidence. The trouble is that there are many in the world who use their doubts to cover a life of sin.

Doubt may come to any one, but in itself it is no sin. But to cherish and hold to it in unbelief is a very different matter. One who is a real leader rightly counseled to "Believe your beliefs and not your doubts. Never make the mistake of doubting your beliefs or believing your doubts."

When doubting Thomas met the risen Lord, his questions changed quickly to strong convictions as he made a personal testimony to the risen Lord.

III. A Restored Disciple and His Service (21:15-17).

After meeting Jesus on the resurrection Easter morning, Peter had been assured of forgiveness for his denial of the Lord and had been restored into fellowship and service.

But then something happened. Peter and the others seemed to have gone astray, for we find Peter and the others returning to their old life as fishermen. It would seem to have lost their spiritual power and had become discouraged and disheartened.

But the Lord had not forsaken them. He appeared among them where to catch fish, and then he must have the lovely scene around the fire as they breakfasted together.

There it was that the Lord restored Peter, and as he had denied him thrice he is asked to three times affirm his devotion to him.

The man who thus showed his readiness to serve Christ was one who had many an opportunity to prove the sincerity of that profession. He met persecution and even death, but to every effort of the enemy to put his mouth or to change his message he had the simple reply of loyalty and obedience to the Lord.

Tradition tells us that Peter's witness finally led Peter to Rome and to Nero's death. So we see that Peter, however, made powerful intercessions for God through the abundant grace of our Lord Jesus. What he can do it for you, too, if you will let him?

There could be no greater joy than to meet the risen Lord Jesus Christ than on this day when we celebrate his resurrection. Let him into your heart, dissolve your doubts, give your sins—and remember

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Alaska Offers Land To More Families

Matanuska Project Is Suggested Near Anchorage.

WASHINGTON —At least 640 new farm families could make a go of it "right now" in Alaska, bureau of land management estimates.

Almost half of them—310 families—could establish a sort of little Matanuska project on Kenai peninsula, southwest of Anchorage, the bureau reported.

Simultaneously, the bureau of mines estimated that Alaska had added two billion dollars to national wealth in 80 years as a United States possession, and still contained vast unexploited resources.

Oscar L. Chapman, acting secretary of the interior, said that Alaska's mineral resources were sufficiently varied to form the basis for a much more general industrialization than had yet taken place.

The land management bureau, in a listing of Alaskan areas suitable for agricultural settlement, said that Alaska had less than 650 farms.

The bureau estimated that the 640 proposed new families would have the "reasonable expectation of establishing successful farm enterprises" in specified localities. It said that 640 was a "conservative minimum" which under favorable conditions in several areas might be doubled, and added:

"Assuming that each new farm family would cultivate the minimum acreage required by the homestead law—20 acres of each 160 acre tract—a total of 12,800 additional acres would be brought into production.

"This would mean at least a doubling of the present cultivated acreage, reported to be about 11,000 acres, of which less than 7,500 acres were harvested."

Of 310 families which the report estimated could be established on Kenai peninsula farms, 100 would settle in the vicinity of Homer, 100 at Kenai, 75 at Kasilof, 20 at Ninilchik and 15 in the Anchor Point area. The report said "there is much more good agricultural land" on Kenai peninsula.

Other proposed settlement areas include Matanuska valley, 75 families; Tanana valley, except the upper part; Kodiak island and southeastern Alaska.

Average American Has $2,140 Saved for Storm

CHICAGO.—A research organization reported that Americans have salted away an average of $2,140 a person in various kinds of savings for a rainy day.

The research council for economic security, supported by many large business firms, credited the nation with a "nest egg" of 300 billion dollars in bank savings, investments and insurance.

A breakdown of the "nest egg" showed the following:

Savings (cash, deposits, government bonds) 175 billion dollars; privately owned real estate, 60 billion dollars; investments (stocks, bonds, etc.), 30 billion dollars; life insurance (actual cash value), 40 billion dollars.

London 'Bobbies' Ask for Caps And a New Style of Uniform

LONDON. — London's "bobbies" may lose their tall helmets, a characteristic of the London scene since 1864 when they replaced the old beaver top hat. The helmet was chosen as ideally combining a double function, covering the head and providing protection against blows and missiles.

For some time there has been a feeling among the police that changes should be made in the design and quality of their uniform.

An open-neck tunic worn with collar and tie, and with a flat cap instead of a helmet, was recently demonstrated in Wiltshire and met with great approval. There is also a general desire for summer and winter-weight trousers.

Mercy Slayer Is Given Death Sentence on Murder Charge

MAIDSTONE, ENG. — Gordon Richard Long, 46, pleaded guilty to a murder charge for the mercy slaying of his 7-year-old deformed and imbecile daughter, Jessie. He received quietly a sentence to death on the gallows.

Eric Neve, his lawyer, said that Long had told the police:

"I loved my daughter very much —more so than if she had been normal—and bringing about her death in this way was the hardest thing I have ever done."

He had asphyxiated her with gas while he lay beside her with his gas mask on.

Metal Stockpiles Reported Falling; Government Warned

WASHINGTON.—Elmer W. Pehrson of the bureau of mines warned Congress that the nation's stockpiles of strategic metals and minerals were dwindling so rapidly that "it would be very difficult to mobilize industry for another war."

Testifying before a house public lands subcommittee, he said the United States was "very vulnerable" on that score.

Babies Face Greater Danger Than Troops

Chief of Children's Bureau Tells Of Perils.

WASHINGTON.—Katherine E. F. Lenroot, chief of the labor department children's bureau, says it is more dangerous to be a baby in America than it was to be in combat during World War II.

Matanuska project on Kenai peninsula, southwest of Anchorage, the bureau reported.

Miss Lenroot reported considerable progress has been made in the last generation, asserting: "Less than 40 children in 1,000 died before their first birthday, as compared with 100 in every 1,000 thirty years ago."

While much has been done toward eliminating childhood communicable diseases, she predicted one child in 20 will spend part of his life in a mental institution if the present rate of mental diseases continues.

Right now 200,000 children under 18 years of age suffer from rheumatic heart disease, one million from hearing defects, four million from visual defects and 20 million from dental defects, she said.

Frieda S. Miller, director of the labor department women's bureau, said America's peacetime economy needs women and is geared to have millions of them in the labor force.

Women employed reached an all-time high of nearly 19 million in mid-1944 and now is only one million less than a year ago, she said.

Asserting that with few exceptions, women work for the same reasons men do, she urged the "combined effort of mutual help of all women of America" to lessen inequities in opportunities and compensations.

Reparations stalemate continues in Moscow Conference.

King of Greece dies.

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Rocks News

Rocks, March 31.- Another snow storm hit here last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Anderson received a notice that their son, Jesse was now stationed in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dickerson were visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Anderson and A. A. Baldwin and Cassie last Sunday afternoon.

Robert Roach and sons, Donald, Rodney, Stanley and Johnny, are busy getting up a new ground for an Irish potato patch.

Winston Ranson spent a week-end recently with his sister, Mrs. Woodrow Fleshman, near Central.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Frank Ranson and daughter, Mary Willie, spent one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Foster, near Darlington Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Almond and children, of Appomattox were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Almond last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Almond went to Hopewell recently to attend the funeral of the latter's uncle, C. B. Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Dickerson and children were visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Goin, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. H Y Goin are enjoying their electric lights.

Little Mary Edith Ranson fell out of a swing and hurt her limb recently.

Little Eleanor Faye Ranson got her arm knocked out of place last week while playing.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Marsh have received news of the arrival of a great-grandson, born to Ensign and Mrs. Jack Hamilton March 20.

A program for home missions was given at Rocks last Sunday just after Sunday School. The following had a part: Toby Inge, Mrs. Toby Inge, Miss Etta Ranson, Claiborne Inge and Miss Annie C. Martin. An offering was taken. It amounted to $12.00.

The Sunbeams had their monthly meeting last after the close of Sunday School. The attendance was good. Mrs. Edward Almond is the leader.

A. A. Baldwin went to see the doctor Saturday. On Sunday he was carried back to have a piece of trash removed from his eye.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, April 1.- Mr. and Mrs. John Jamerson and children, of Prospect were visitors in the home of Huntley Jamerson Sunday.

Charlie McCormick, who has been sick, is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Dickerson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E H Frazier Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. William Moon, of Halifax and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Moon of Radford spent several days last week with their parents.

Mrs. H. C. Almond, who has been sick for the past two weeks, is much better.

Mrs. "Dick" Martin spent last week with her mother, Mrs. H. C. Almond.

Harriett Carson has been sick for several days.

Preaching at Salem Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

Spout Spring, April 1.- Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cyrus spent Sunday afternoon in Lynchburg with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cyrus.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Layne spent Sunday afternoon in the home of her sister, Mrs W. D. Wooldridge, of Concord.

A. C. Almond is sick with flu at his home here.

Miss Anna Belle Houseman, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with Miss Alice Jennings.

Mr. and Mrs. Mott Layne spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Layne.

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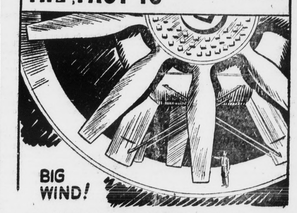

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